MOTION GRANTED. The Court will reset the Initial Case Management Conference by separate order after the case is remanded to this Court.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

R.K., et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	) No. 3:21-cv-00853
v.	) Chief Judge Crenshaw ) Magistrata Judga Franslav
GOVERNOR BILL LEE, et al.,	<ul><li>) Magistrate Judge Frensley</li><li>)</li></ul>
Defendants.	)

## JOINT MOTION TO DEFER DURING PENDENCY OF APPEAL

Come now all Parties to this matter and jointly move the Court to defer the setting of a Case Management Conference (at which deadlines for discovery, and dispositive motions, among other matters, would be set) until Defendants' appeal of this Court's December 10, 2021 order granting Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction is resolved. After consultation, the parties have agreed that it would be appropriate to defer the setting of a Case Management Conference and corresponding discovery and briefing deadlines, until such time as the case is remanded to this Court by the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Because the law is not entirely clear on whether the currently pending appeal would automatically result in such matters being stayed, the parties submit this Joint Motion in order to establish clarity as to their obligations related to this litigation pending the appeal. The parties take note that this case is presently set for an Initial Case Management Conference on January 10, 2022 before Magistrate Judge Frensley (see ECF No. 51)—which conference the parties seek to defer.

### Respectfully submitted,

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